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Dear Sir:

Applicant submits the following documents for filing with the United States Patent and Trademark Office:

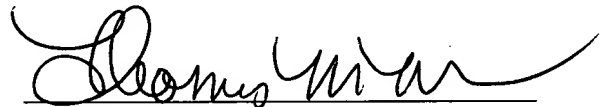
- Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 ("Petition");
- Response to Office Action, mailed August 29, 2005 ("Response");
- Check Number 953810 in the amount of \$225.00 for a two-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136; and
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Please date stamp and return the enclosed postcard evidencing receipt of these materials.

Applicants' Response to this Office Action was due on January 29, 2006, along with the enclosed petition and fee for a two-month extension of time. As this Response is being filed on Monday, January 30, 2006, and in view of the fact that January 29, 2006 fell on a Sunday, a Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time to File this Response is included herein, along with check no. 953810 for the fee of \$225.00 (small entity) under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a). *See* MPEP § 710.05 "Period Ending on Saturday, Sunday, or a Federal Holiday."

Applicants believe that there are no additional fees due in association with the filing of this Petition and Response. However, should the Commissioner deem that any additional fees are due, including any fees for extensions of time, the Commissioner is authorized to debit Baker Botts L.L.P. Deposit Account No. 02-0383, Order Number 002376.1017, for any underpayment of fees that may be due in association with this filing.

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